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PROVISIONAL SPECIFICATION.

Improvements in Cigars.

I, WILLIAM WATSON, 33 Hayburn Crescent, Partick, Glasgow, in the County of Lanark, Engineer, do hereby declare the nature of my invention for IMPROVEMENTS IN CIGARS, to be as follows:—

I distinguish the various kinds or qualities of all cigars from each other by 5 embossing, stamping, or printing tobacco leaf, tobacco paper, paper or other material with the quality, name and price, or with ornamental designs, and I attach these so that they become part of the Cigars, and are consumed with them on being smoked, or I mark them by means of a metal stencil or stamp which may be heated, or I transfer to them a mark or design from paper; besides using these 10 means to mark cigars in process of manufacture. I also stamp, emboss, or print, the tobacco or paper covering which forms the outside layer, or I place them in stamped or printed wrappers or in paper cases; I likewise press the tobacco and paper into moulds of various designs, so as to form Cigar coverings or tubes which I afterwards fill with tobacco. As a means of retaining the ash in cigars while 15 being smoked, I form the outer covering of uninflammable paper or other material which I may pierce with small holes to admit air. As cigars cannot be smoked to the extreme end in the mouth without injury to the mouth, I therefore as a matter of economy, cut this smoking end off cigars, and replace the end by tobacco paper, or paper, cotton, wool, hemp, cocoa fibre, paper pulp, sponge, sawdust, cork, asbestos, 20 kaolin, clay, metal or other material, made so as to form a mouthpiece or smoke filter, which I make hollowed to fit the lips or of any suitable shape; or I manufacture the cigars without the smoking end and afterwards attach this mouthpiece, or I add it in process of manufacture.

For the purpose of lighting the cigars, I form on the point of each cigar, a tip 25 of some inflammable material which ignites by friction, or I place in the point of each a small fusee or vesuvian match, which may have igniting composition at both front and back, and I may then place over the point a small cap or cover of paper, metal, or other material, and as a safeguard against self-ignition, I also divide the igniting compound as in common safety matches, placing part on the point of cigar 30 and part on the cap; I likewise make cigars in the form of capsules for smoking.

[Price 4d.]